

Battle - death

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JIM BEASLEY, AAG, SHELBY COUNTY, TENN. ONE OF THE ATTORNEYS WHO HANDLED THE JAMES EARL RAY CASE, ENTERED JUDGE W. PRESTON BATTLE'S CHAMBERS AT APPROXIMATELY FIVE THIRTY FIVE PM THIS DATE AND FOUND JUDGE BATTLE SLUMPED OVER HIS DESK. BEASLEY IMMEDIATELY CALLED AN AMBULANCE WHICH TOOK JUDGE BATTLE TO METHODIST HOSPITAL WHERE HE LATER DIED. INDICATIONS ARE THAT JUDGE BATTLE DIED FROM NATURAL CAUSES.		